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MARYLAND GAZETTE.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 1, 1798.

In COUNCIL, Annapolis, January 23, 1798.

ORDERED, That the act to appoint an agent for the year one thousand seven hundred and ninety-eight, be published in the Maryland Gazette, at Annapolis, the Federal Gazette, at Baltimore, the Herald, at Easton, and in one of the George-town and Frederick-town papers, once in each week for the term of eight weeks.

By order,

NINIAN PINKNEY, Clerk of the Council of the State of Maryland.

An ACT to appoint an agent for the year one thousand seven hundred and ninety-eight.

BE *it enacted, by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That William Marbury be agent of this state, to execute the trust and power reposed in him by virtue of this act, from the first day of January, one thousand seven hundred and ninety-eight, until the first day of January, one thousand seven hundred and ninety-nine.

II. *And be it enacted,* That the said agent superintend the collection of all arrearages and balances due from the several collectors of the respective counties within this state, appointed since the first day of January, seventeen hundred and eighty-three; and the said agent is hereby authorised and required to call upon the treasurers of the respective shores for an accurate statement of all arrearages and balances due from such collectors, and such accounts shall be furnished by the said treasurers accordingly.

III. *And be it enacted,* That the said agent be authorised to superintend the collection of balances due to the state on the auditor's books, or on open account; and the said agent shall have power to require payment of, and, if necessary, to sue for and recover the same; and the said agent, with the approbation of the governor and council, may make composition with any such debtors, and take bonds to the state, with sufficient security, and give time for payment, not exceeding two years from the first day of January, seventeen hundred and ninety-eight.

IV. *And be it enacted,* That the said agent be authorised to superintend the collection of all monies due to the state for naval duties, fines, penalties, forfeitures and amerciaments, and forfeited recognizances, and for ordinary, retailers and marriage licences, and to require payment, and, if necessary, sue for and recover the same; and the said agent may allow for insolvencies, and credit any money that the party is not chargeable with by law, and for his information of the law, he may take the advice of the attorney-general in writing.

V. *And be it enacted,* That whenever there shall be occasion to expose to public sale the property of any collector, or his securities, by virtue of any execution already issued, or to be issued for this purpose, the said agent shall cause at least thirty days public notice to be given of such sale, and shall attend the same, and if it shall appear that there is danger of losing any part of the debt due to the state, and not otherwise, shall purchase any property so exposed to sale for the use of the state, in payment, or part payment, as the case may be, of the arrearages due by the collectors whose property may be so purchased, and that no purchase authorised by this act shall be considered as made on the part of the state, unless a public declaration to that effect be made by the agent, or his deputy, immediately after such sale and purchase; and any property so purchased for the use of the state, the said agent may again expose to public auction on the most advantageous terms, for the use of the state, and if the same be sold on credit, which shall in no case exceed the term of two years, the said agent shall take bond, with good and sufficient security, to be approved of by the treasurer of the western shore, from the purchasers of such property, and all bonds by him so taken shall be deposited, with an accurate list thereof subscribed by him, in the treasury of the western shore, and shall be a lien upon the real property of such purchasers, and their securities, from the respective dates, or so much thereof as is mentioned in the schedule thereto annexed.

VI. *And be it enacted,* That the said agent is hereby directed to dispose of all confiscated British property that remains unsold, and take bonds to the state, with sufficient security, and give time for the payment thereof, not exceeding two years from the first day of January, one thousand seven hundred and ninety-eight, and that where the quantity of land in any one body subject to such sale exceeds the quantity of fifty acres, such land shall be disposed of at public sale, of the time and place of which sale at least thirty days previous notice shall be given by public advertisement; and that at the time of any sale by virtue of this act, the said agent shall make known that he only sells the right of this state thereto, and that the state doth not guaranty the title to the same, or any part thereof, but that the purchase must be in all respects at the risk of the purchaser.

VII. *And be it enacted,* That no payment in future by any officer or person indebted to the state shall be valid and effectual, unless made to the treasurer of the western or eastern shore, or to the agent for the time being, or unless made to the clerks and sheriffs of the several counties, in the cases where the said clerks and sheriffs are by law authorised to receive the same.

VIII. *And be it enacted,* That the agent shall have full power and authority, by and with the advice of the governor and council, in all cases of unsettled debts, to take back any property heretofore purchased by any person and not yet paid for, in cases where the person so having purchased, and his securities, are not capable of paying for the same, and to compromise the same upon terms and principles of equity and justice, by and with the advice and consent aforesaid; and the agent is hereby required to lay a particular statement of his proceedings under this section before the next session of assembly.

IX. *And be it enacted,* That the agent, with the approbation and consent of the governor and council, be and he is hereby authorised and empowered to compromise any suit depending in chancery with any state debtor, upon any terms in their judgment calculated to promote the interest of the state, and to obtain the speedy receipt of the sums due.

X. *And be it enacted,* That if, under the terms of any compromise made as aforesaid, the property heretofore purchased should be taken back and revested in the state, the same may be sold by the agent, and he is hereby authorised and empowered to sell the same at public sale, giving thirty days notice, on a credit of two years, payable one half of the principal, and the whole interest, annually, on the first day of December in each year, and the bonds, when taken, shall be returned to the treasury of the western shore, and reported to the general assembly at their session next ensuing the taking of such bonds.

XI. *And be it enacted,* That all cases in chancery, where no compromise under this act is effected, shall be placed under the direction of the agent, who is hereby authorised and required to call on the attorney-general to prosecute or defend the same to immediate final decision; and the governor and council are hereby authorised and empowered, at the request of the agent, in cases of difficulty, to aid the attorney-general, by employing any person to attend to surveys where necessary, or otherwise to assist in the prosecution or defence of said suits, which person or persons are to be paid out of the contingent fund of five hundred pounds; and the names of the persons so employed, together with the sum allowed for their services, to be laid before the general assembly at their next session.

XII. *And be it enacted,* That if any bond debtor to the state for confiscated property purchased, or otherwise, shall neglect to make payment agreeably to the condition of his bond, and sundry resolves of the general assembly, the said agent shall cause process to issue for the whole principal and interest then due, or shall proceed on any execution already issued, and served and suspended, as occasion may require, or, under the direction and with the approbation of the governor and council, he is hereby authorised to delay any execution as long as they may think expedient and necessary.

XIII. *And be it enacted,* That the said agent be authorised to superintend the collection of all balances due on bond taken for taxes due before the first day of January, seventeen hundred and eighty-three; and the said agent shall also superintend the collection of all balances due on bonds installed, or otherwise, for the emissions of paper money of seventeen hundred and sixty-nine, and seventeen hundred and seventy-three.

XIV. *And be it enacted,* That no process shall issue against any of the public debtors, unless by the direction of the said agent.

XV. *And be it enacted,* That the said agent shall have power to fix such days of sale of property taken by *fieri facias*, at the suit of the state, as he may think proper, always taking care to give at least twenty days public notice thereof; and the said agent shall also have power to suspend the sales, from time to time, as he may think most to the advantage of the state.

XVI. *And be it enacted,* That the said agent shall pay into the treasury, in specie, the amount of all specie by him received in the discharge of the duties of this act.

XVII. *And be it enacted,* That in all cases where bonds shall be taken in virtue of this act, the bonds shall be a lien on all the real property of the obligors from the date thereof, or on so much of the said real property as the governor and council shall think sufficient, to be particularly mentioned in a schedule to be annexed to the said bond, in which case it shall be a lien on the property contained in such schedule, and no more, such bond and schedule to be lodged with the treasurer of the western shore.

XVIII. *And be it enacted,* That all bonds taken in virtue of this act shall express the county in which the obligors respectively reside, and the treasurer of the western shore shall, within one month after he receives them respectively, cause them, with the schedule annexed to them, to be recorded in the office of the clerk of the general court of the western shore, at the expence of the obligors; and a copy of the said record, certified under the hand and official seal of the said clerk, shall be as good evidence in any court of law or equity in this state as the original bond would be if it was produced; and if any of the obligors in any such bonds reside on the eastern shore, the said treasurer shall, within six months from the time he receives the same respectively, transmit to the clerk of the general court of the eastern shore, in the same manner as papers on public service are transmitted, a copy of such bonds and schedules, certified as aforesaid by the clerk of the general court of the western shore, to be recorded in the office of the clerk of the general court of the eastern shore, at the expence of the obligors, and in such case a copy of the said record, certified as aforesaid by the clerk of the general court of the eastern shore, shall be good evidence as aforesaid.

XIX. *And be it enacted,* That the said agent shall render to the treasurer of the western shore distinct quarterly accounts of his receipts of all money, certificates and bonds, in virtue of this act, and shall immediately thereupon pay and deliver the same to the said treasurer, who shall, in his annual report to the general assembly, state fully and particularly the money, certificates and bonds, by him received from the said agent, and the times when the same were received and accounted for.

XX. *And be it enacted,* That the said agent shall render a fair and full account of his several proceedings under the authority of this act to the general assembly at their next session, and within the first ten days after its commencement, in which account shall be specified, under distinct heads, his own receipts, and those of the treasurer, and of all transfers of stock upon which he may be entitled to commission, and in which shall also be contained a particular estimate of his commissions, shewing how and upon what the same arose due.

XXI. *And be it enacted,* That the said agent shall be allowed for his services the following commissions, to wit: for all payments actually made to either of the treasurers in virtue of this act, three per cent. and for all bonds with security taken by the said agent in virtue of this act, three per cent. provided that the whole amount of his commission shall not exceed five hundred pounds current money, and he shall lay an account of the same, on oath, before the next session of assembly.

XXII. *And be it enacted,* That hereafter it shall be the duty of the agent, and the treasurers of the western and eastern shores respectively, to receive, as well the fifteen per cent. interest, if any shall have accrued, as all other the arrearages that are now, or may hereafter become due from fines, forfeitures and amerciaments, ordinary, retailers, marriage, hawkers and pedlers licences, and which fifteen per cent. so collected, shall be the only fund out of which the agent shall draw his commission of three per cent. for collecting the same; provided that the said agent shall not be entitled to any commission upon the monies arising from fines, forfeitures, amerciaments, ordinary, retailers, marriage, hawkers and pedlers licences, unless in cases where the same shall not be paid by the sheriffs and clerks respectively, to the treasurer within one month after the time prescribed by law, and unless the said agent shall thereafter receive the same from the said officers respectively, and the same pay to the said treasurer.

XXIII. *And be it enacted,* That the said agent, before he enters upon the execution of the duties of this act, shall give bond to the state, before the governor and council, in the penalty of sixty thousand dollars, with such security as the governor and council shall approve, for the faithful performance of the said duties, which bond shall be lodged with the treasurer of the western shore, and shall also take an oath before the chancellor, that he will well and faithfully discharge the duties as agent under the act, entitled, An act to appoint an agent for the year one thousand seven hundred and ninety-eight, to the best of his skill and judgment, the certificate of which oath shall be annexed to, or endorsed on, the said bond.

XXIV. *And be it enacted,* That if the said agent shall not accept his appointment, or if after his acceptance he shall not give bond, and take the oath aforesaid, before the first day of February next, or shall die, the governor and council are hereby authorised and requested to appoint a fit and proper person in his place, who shall have and execute all the authorities and powers vested in the said William Marbury by this act, such person first giving security, and taking the oath aforesaid.

NOTICE TO STATE DEBTORS.

PROCESS will certainly be directed against all delinquent state debtors who fail to make their payments by the 10th day of March next.

WILLIAM MARBURY, Agent.

By the SENATE, January 17, 1798.

On motion, ORDERED, That the act, entitled, An act for the direction of sheriffs and coroners in the return of jurors, and for the better regulation of juries, passed at this session, be published as soon as may be for four weeks successively in the Maryland Gazette, Easton, George-town, and two Baltimore papers, for the information of the sheriffs and coroners.

By order,

A. VAN-HORN, Clk.

An ACT for the direction of sheriffs and coroners in the return of jurors, and for the better regulation of juries.

WHEREAS the integrity, experience and intelligence of jurors, is indispensably necessary for the due administration of justice: And whereas the sheriffs frequently return jurors very inadequate to the discharge of the important duties assigned to them;

II. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That all sheriffs and coroners within this state already commissioned, shall, on or before the first Monday in March next, take the following oath, or affirmation, (as the case may be,) before some judge or justice of the court of the county for which they may have been respectively commissioned, to wit: "I, A. B. do swear, "or affirm, (as the case may be,) that in summoning "jurors to be returned to any of the courts of this "state, and that in executing every writ or precept "which shall come to my hands, for the return of "jurors, I will use my utmost diligence to summon and return, as jurors, sober and judicious "persons, of good reputation, and qualified by the "laws of this state to serve as jurors, and to prevent "any man being summoned or returned by me, or by "any officer under me, who in my judgment will be "influenced in determining any of the matters which "shall come before him as a juror by hatred, malice "or ill will, fear, favour or affection, or by any partiality whatever; and that I will not summon or return as a juror any person, who, in my opinion, or "to my knowledge, may be solicitous to be returned "upon the panel of jurors;" and that they respectively return a certificate of such oath or affirmation to the clerk of the court of the county for which such

person is commissioned as sheriff, or coroner, within twenty days thereafter, there to be recorded by said clerk, whose duty it is hereby declared to be to record the same amongst the proceedings of the preceding county court; and that in case any sheriff or coroner shall neglect to take such oath or affirmation, or return a certificate thereof as aforesaid, the person so neglecting shall forfeit and pay the sum of fifty dollars, to be recovered by indictment before the district court of the county for which such person is commissioned, and applied to the use of said county.

III. *And be it enacted*, That no person shall be summoned as a juror by any sheriff or coroner of this state to two general or county courts successively.

IV. *And be it enacted*, That every sheriff and coroner hereafter commissioned within this state shall, before he be allowed to proceed on the execution of his office, besides the usual oaths or affirmations as required by the constitution and laws of this state, take the oath, or affirmation, (as the case may be,) above prescribed, before some judge or justice of the court of the county for which such person may be commissioned, and return a certificate of such oath or affirmation to the clerk of the court of the county for which such person may be commissioned, there to be recorded as aforesaid.

V. *And be it enacted*, That the different sheriffs or coroners of this state shall not, after the end of this general assembly, summon as a juror in any case, or return upon a pannel as a juror, any person who may may not have arrived to the age of twenty-five years, and who doth not possess the other qualifications required by the constitution and laws of this state.

VI. *And be it enacted*, That after the end of this session of assembly no justice of the peace shall be exempt or privileged from being summoned and returned upon the pannel of jurors to the county court, or general court of this state, any former law to the contrary notwithstanding.

VII. *And be it enacted*, That after the passage of this act the sheriffs of the several counties of this state shall not permit their deputies, or any of them, to summon any juror or jurors whom they have not directed them to summon.

VIII. *And be it enacted*, That the sheriffs of the several counties of this state shall return to their respective county courts a pannel of forty-eight jurors, qualified as aforesaid, out of which the said respective courts shall direct the clerk to draw, by ballot, twenty-three persons, who shall be empannelled and sworn to serve as grand jurors during the term to which they shall be summoned; and the persons remaining upon the said original pannel shall attend the court, and serve as petit jurors.

IX. *And be it enacted*, That in all civil cases called for trial in the general and county courts, in which a jury shall be necessary according to the laws and constitution of this state, twenty persons from the pannel of petit jurors shall be drawn, by ballot, by the clerks, under the direction of the said respective courts, and the names of the twenty persons shall be written upon two lists, and one of the said lists shall be forthwith delivered to the respective parties, or their counsel in the cause, and it shall and may be lawful for each of the said parties, or their counsel, to strike out four persons from the said list, and the remaining twelve persons shall thereupon be immediately empannelled, and sworn as the petit jury in such cause; and if the said parties, or their counsel, or either of them, shall neglect or refuse to strike out from the said lists the number of persons hereby directed, it shall and may be lawful for the respective courts aforesaid to direct their clerks to strike out from the list of the party or parties so neglecting or refusing the number of persons herein before mentioned, and the remaining twelve persons shall be empannelled, and sworn as aforesaid; provided nevertheless, that nothing herein contained shall be deemed, or construed to take away the right of any person or persons to challenge the array or polls of any pannel returned, in the manner always allowed by the laws of this state, or in any manner to affect or change any of the provisions contained in the act, entitled, A supplement to an act concerning petitions for freedom, passed at November session, one thousand seven hundred and ninety-three.

VIENNA, *November* 1.

THE emperor has given orders that the army of the Hungarian levy shall be disbanded, and the troops have accordingly begun to return home. All preparations for war are now entirely laid aside, and 130 pieces of heavy artillery, which had been ordered to the Rhine, have been countermanded by a courier. The expence of the conveyance of this artillery would have been 16,000 florins.

The emperor has stated, in a letter under his own hand, to the duke of Modena, the indemnification which the latter will receive in the Brisgaw for his Italian territories, according to the treaty.

The Marquis de Chatelier and two French commissioners are proceeding to settle the boundaries of territory in Italy, according to the late treaty.

UPPER RHINE, *November* 4.

General Buonaparte is expected at Strasburg, on his way to Paris, whence he will go to Rastadt. Every preparation is making to receive him with all possible testimonies of honour and respect. His journey through France to Paris will be one continued triumph.

PARIS, *November* 13.

We are assured that the Executive Directory has indirectly informed the court of London, that peace might be concluded if it would consent to the re-establishment on the one part and the other, of the *status ante bellum*. They intimated at the same time, that they will never depart from this resolution.

Trielhard and Bonnier (d'Arco) will immediately depart for the congress at Rastadt.

General Desaix, whose return to Strasburg we have announced, is expected at Paris, whence he will depart for Rennes, after having concerted with the Directory the commencement of organization of the army of England. This army it is said, will consist of 60,000 men.

On the 4th November the military commission of Strasburg, conformable to the seventh law of the 19th Fructidor, condemned to death a returned emigrant, a native of Haguenau, who was shot upon the spot.

The wife of general Buonaparte is on her road to Paris, and the general himself is expected in 15 days.

The news of the continental peace was received at Brest with the most lively transports. On the 4th instant, notwithstanding the proclamation of the Directory, no extraordinary preparation had taken place in that port; they even continued the disarming of the ships of the line. They were doing nothing but arming eight frigates, which are to have four months provisions on board, but the destination of which was unknown.

The Executive Directory has sent off within these two days a courier to Berlin.

BOSTON, *January* 16.

A gentleman in town has received a letter from a respectable person at Philadelphia, informing of the receipt of intelligence from citizen Bournonville, formerly secretary to the French legation to this country, dated at Paris, November 3, stating, that the American envoys had had three public audiences, which where of a favourable nature: that he expected an accommodation would speedily take place: and as a new corps diplomatique would, in such case, be dispatched to the United States, he flattered himself he should be again here in some official capacity.

Another letter has been received from a private gentleman, with similar intelligence.

The letter received by captain Nutting, at Rotterdam, from Mr. Gerry, at Paris, we are informed, was not of a very recent date: and did not observe that the envoys "*would not be*," but that they "*were not*," (to that date) received by the Directory.

January 17.

Letters were received on Saturday, from Mr. Gerry, at Paris, dated five days after his arrival in that city by which we are informed that our commissioners were very politely received by the minister of foreign affairs, and letters of hospitality immediately sent to them. The minister told our commissioners, that he hoped to be able, in a few days, to inform them when it would be convenient to have them presented to the Directory. The commissioners had begun to arrange their household, &c. and from no account does it appear that they have experienced any thing like coolness, delay, or inattention; nor is there any foundation for the report that Fauchet and Adet were appointed to confer with them. The above intelligence may be relied on.

NEW-YORK, *January* 27.

A GHOST.

New Gaol, (in the Fields,)
Jan. 10, 1798.

A true and surprising account of the apparition or ghost of a woman, that has appeared several nights past in the New Gaol, to the great terror and affright of the prisoners, many of whom are ready to confirm the truth of it on oath.

Capt. Fish declares that for several nights past, the apparition of a woman has haunted the gaol from room to room, this and the last week, followed and encircled by a radiant light, dressed in a white flowing robe and a turban on her head, seemingly of a pleasing but dejected countenance. Captain Fish declares that about twelve o'clock on Friday night this apparition came to his bedside, and drew the curtains, looking stedfastly at him for some time, which so affrighted him, that he adjured her in the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, to tell him who she was, or why she came in "so questionable a shape," when she casting a look of sorrow, accompanied with most ineffable sweetness gradually disappeared in the sight of several other prisoners who were in the room, and are ready to testify the truth of what is here advanced.

Mr. Miller, another debtor in the same room, going to the upper hall, about one in the morning, was met by the same woman who pulled him by the coat; which so alarmed and frightened him that he stood petrified as a statue; when he came a little to himself he saw her gradually advance to the window, from which she vanished. He then called to the watchman to ask him if he had seen it, he declared he did, and that he had seen it vanish from the same window several nights successively.

Mr. Miller further declares, that after she was gone, a large globe of fire of the most beautiful and diversified colours rolled up and down the hall for the space of five minutes; and then of a sudden burst with a dreadful explosion, which left him in total darkness, which still affrighted him worse than the first rencountre of the appariton; when making but one step from the top of the stairs to the bottom, he recovered his room, in a condition of undescribable terror.

The Friday following Mr. Evans, being asleep in his bed, was suddenly awakened by something drawing open the curtains of his bed, when he perceived the figure of a beautiful woman, arrayed in white, looking stedfastly on him, which much alarmed him; he communicated his fear to another man who was in the same bed with him, who also saw it with terror and astonishment. It continued a considerable time by the bedside in a contemplative posture, often putting her hand on the left side of her robe, which seemed to be tinged with blood, and then heaving a deep sigh, vanished through the wall.

Mr. Hewit a few evenings after this, in the dead of the night being alarmed in his sleep, suddenly leaped out of bed, and the first thing presented to his view was the apparition of this woman, who with the most placid countenance seemed to claim his pity; but frightened to the greatest degree at so uncommon an appearance, and fear closing his power of utterance, he leaped again into bed, covering himself over head and ears, with every particle of the bed furniture that was within his grasp. In a few minutes after, this apparition disappeared, which was accompanied by a solemn, hollow, rumbling noise, leaving him in "the utmost exacerbation of human terror."

The prisoners in general further declare, that almost every night about twelve o'clock there appears a large ball of fire at intervals, which illuminate every room in the gaol for a time.

"Doom'd for a certain term to walk the night,
And for the day confin'd to fast in fires,
Till the foul crimes done in my days of nature
Are burnt and purg'd away. But that I am forbid
To tell the secrets of my prison house,
I could a tale unfold, whose lightest word
Would harrow up the soul, freeze all thy blood;
Make thy two eyes like stars start from their spheres,
Thy knotted and uncombed locks to part,
And each particular hair to stand on end
Like quills upon the fretful Porcupine."

PHILADELPHIA, *January* 26.

Extract of a letter from Norfolk, to a mercantile house in this city, dated January 15.

"Yesterday a ship from Nantes arrived here, which brings French papers as late as the 7th November, at which time the American commissioners had not been received by the French government nor any prospect of its taking place.

"This vessel belonged to Boston, and loaded here last year for Nantes, but was taken and there condemned. The captain purchased her, and has brought several American captains, who had lately been taken by the French.

"The captain of this vessel informs, that he saw a letter from Mr. Skipwith, our consul-general at Paris, to the consul at Nantes (received the day before he sailed) desiring the latter to inform the American captains to push off as quick as possible, as an embargo was expected shortly to take place; that uncommon exertions were making in fitting out a great additional number of privateers, and that every thing bore the appearance of hostility on the part of France against this country."

LIST of LETTERS remaining in the Post-Office, Port-Tobacco, which, if not taken up before the first day of April next, will be returned to the General Post-Office as dead letters.

JOHN Brent, Charles county, 1,
James Doyle, ditto, 2,
William C. Brent, ditto, 1,
Richard Wheeler, Cedar Point Neck, 1,
Grace Stone, Port-Tobacco, 1,
Alexander Scott, ditto, 1,
Benjamin Marshall, jun. Newport, 2,
Henry Gardner, near Benedict, 1,
Joseph Wilkison, Calvert county, Maryland, 1,
Heber Chase, M. D. Charles county, ditto, 1,
Martha Dent, Charles county, ditto, 1,
Eleanor Boarman, ditto, ditto, 1,
William Shorvan, near Port Tobacco, ditto, 1,
William B. Smoot, ditto, ditto, 1,
Hezekiah Robey, near Piscataway, ditto, 1,
Sarah Pye, Charles county, ditto, 1,
Richd. Mason, jun. ditto, ditto, 1,
Rev. Hatch Dent, near Cool Springs, 1,
Edwd Edelen, Newport, Charles county, 1,
Thomas Arven, near Piscataway, 1,
Mr. Dejean, Pomonkey creek, near Port-Tobacco, 1,
John Chilton, Maryland, Point ferry, 1,
William M. Wilkinson, Charles county, 1,
William M'Conchie, sen. 1,
Walter Winter, near Allen's Fresh, 1,
Eleanor Hamilton, Nanjemoy, Charles county, 2,
James Garner, Charles county, 1,
Charles Manken, ditto, 1,
Burdet Ashton, Newport, 1,
Sheriff of Charles county, 1,
Jane Lindsay, Port-Tobacco, Maryland, 1,
Jean Winter, near Newport, 1,
Zachariah Moreland, near Piscataway, 1,
William Lattimer, Charles county, 1,
Matthew Moore, near Piscataway, 1,
Samuel Amery, Newport, 2,
John Barnes, Esq; clerk Charles county, 1,
Capt. Samuel Mitchell, near Port-Tobacco, 1,
Raphael Boarman, near Newport, 1,
Col. John Addison, Nanjemoy, 1,
John C. Dickson, 1,
Thomas Marshall, 1,
Jeremiah Mud, 1,

Port-Tobacco, January 1, 1798.

THE subscriber has eloped from him many NEGRO MEN whom he has reason to think are employed by white people to work for them. I do hereby forewarn all persons from dealing with or employing my said negroes in any manner whatever, as I shall in that case prosecute every offender to the utmost rigour of the law.

BENNETT DARNALL.

January 26, 1798.

THE subscriber hereby forewarns all persons from hunting with either dog or gun on his land, lying in Anne-Arundel county, on Deep Creek, formerly the property of Stephen Steward, deceased.

JOHN GWINN.

Annapolis, October 24, 1797.

Forty Dollars Reward.

RAN away from the subscriber, some time in September last, a dark mulatto man named SAUL or SOLOMON BOOTH, about 23 years of age, 5 feet 8 or 9 inches high, strait made, and talks very smoothly. Whoever takes up the said fellow, and brings him to the subscriber, shall have the above reward, if taken in the state of Maryland, if out of the state the above reward and reasonable charges paid by the subscriber, living about six miles from Hagar's-town, on Antietam creek, Washington county.

JOSEPH CHENEY.

January 17, 1798.

A LIST of LETTERS remaining in the Post-Office Annapolis, which will be sent to the General Post-Office as dead letters, if not taken up before the first day of April next.

MR. ALLEN, on board the Ranger, Annapolis.
Nicholas Brice (2), Asa Beall, Thomas Barber, Annapolis; Richard Booth, West river.

Right rev. Thos. J. Claggett, D. D. care of William Cooke, John Callahan, William Coe, Annapolis.

John Davidson, Joshua Dorsey (2), Benjamin Doctor, Benjamin Dulany (2), Annapolis.

John Gwinn (2), Mr. Guerin (2), William Gilmour, Annapolis; John Galloway Son, West river.

William Hammond, Samuel Harvey Howard, Zeb. Hollingsworth (3), Annapolis; William Harwood, Richard Harrison, Anne-Arundel county.

Henry Johnston, Annapolis.

Providence Lane, care of John Brice, Mr. Langlois, Thomas Lisbey (3), Annapolis.

Robert Milligan, John M'Iver, Richard Mackubin (2), Gilbert Murdoch, Annapolis; Joseph Macctubbin, Anne-Arundel county.

Edward Nicholls, Annapolis.

Martin O'Duhigg, Annapolis.

Postmaster, Thomas Pyper, Smith Price, Annapolis.

Henry Ridgely, Benjamin Ringgold, care of John Galloway, John Ridgely, John Rue, care of William Logan, Annapolis.

Sheriff elect of Anne-Arundel county, James Steele, Annapolis.

Colonel Tootle, J. A. Tarascon, John Tayloe, Annapolis.

Levin Winder, Eliz. Whitewood, capt. H. Wilson, on board the schooner Felicity (2), Annapolis; John Weems, jun. Herring creek.

John Young, Annapolis.

S. GREEN, D. P. M.

None of the above letter will be delivered without the money. January 1, 1798.

On Monday the 5th day of February next, if fair, if not the first day, at 11 o'clock, will be EXPOSED to PUBLIC SALE,

A PART of the personal property of the late ISAAC MAYO, deceased, for the purpose of settling the estate. Terms of sale to be made known on that day, by

SARAH ANNE MAYO, Executrix.

ALL persons having claims against said estate are once more requested to exhibit them, on or before the day of sale, legally authenticated. S. A. M.

STOLEN from the subscriber, living about two miles from Mount Pleasant ferry, and the same distance from Mrs. Rawlings's tavern, on the 26th of December, 1797, an iron gray HORSE, about fourteen hands and an half high, he is shod all fours, has a split in one of his houghs, and a remarkable short head, his brand is unknown, he is a strong well made horse, blows very much when he gallops; by what information I have I am apt to believe he is about Patapsco ferry, or in that neighbourhood, or Elk-Ridge Landing. Any person that takes up the said horse, and brings him to me, shall receive SIX DOLLARS, paid by

THOMAS LANE, Mount Airy.

NOTICE is hereby given to all persons having claims against the estate of BENJAMIN CARR, late of Anne-Arundel county, deceased, to bring in their accounts, legally attested, likewise all those indebted to said estate to make immediate payment, as farther indulgence cannot be given.

BENJAMIN CARR, }
ROBERT CARR, } Executors.
ROBERT WELCH, }

January 12, 1798.

SETH SWEETSER,

RETURNS his thanks to his customers and the public in general for past favours in the line of his business, and informs them that he still carries on the Boot and Shoe-making Business in all its branches, in the best manner. He has just received a large quantity of the best Boston bend sole-leather, which he will sell on reasonable terms, for cash, or green hides; he has also for sale, hide leather and calf skins, and all kinds of Shoe-maker's tools, shoe thread, resin, linseed, whale and tanner's oil, and sundry other articles too tedious too mention.

N. B. He has a valuable young Wench for sale, that is used to Kitchen work.

NOTICE.

ALL persons indebted to the estate of RICHARD HARRISON, late of West river, in Anne-Arundel county, deceased, are desired to make immediate payment, and those having claims against said estate are requested to bring them in, legally attested, that they be settled. w4

MARY HARRISON, Administratrix.

January 5, 1798.

Eighty Dollars Reward.

RAN away from the subscriber's farm, about seven miles from Annapolis, on Wednesday, the 5th instant, two slaves, WILL and TOM; they are brothers. WILL, a straight, tall, well made fellow, upwards of six feet high, he is generally called black, but has rather a yellowish complexion, by trade a carpenter and cooper, and in general capable of the use of tools in almost any work; saws well at the whip saw, about thirty years of age, when he speaks quick he hammers a little in his speech. TOM, a stout well made fellow, a bright mulatto, twenty-four years of age, and about five feet nine or ten inches high; he is a complete hand at plantation work, and can handle tools pretty well. Their dress, at home, upper jackets lined with flannel, and overalls of a drab colour, but they have a variety of other cloathing; and it is supposed they will not appear abroad in what they wear at home. Will writes pretty well, and if he and his brother are not furnished with passes from others, they will not be at a loss for them, but upon proper examination may be discovered to be forged. These people, it is imagined, are gone for Baltimore-town, as Tom has a wife living there, with Mr. Thomas Edwards. For taking up and securing the two fellows in the gaol of Baltimore-town, or any other gaol, so that I get them again, a reward of eighty dollars, and for either forty dollars.

THOMAS HARWOOD.

Annapolis, April 10, 1797.

For SALE,

A FEW families of NEGROES, consisting of four families, the first, two women and four children, all boys, two fit for service; the second, one ditto, four ditto, two boys fit for service; the third, one woman and two children, both boys; the fourth, a young man, his wife and child; they have all had the small-pox except a few small ones. They are as likely negroes as any in America. The women that have got husbands may be purchased in the same neighbourhood.

GEORGE SMITH.

Calvert county, Lyon's creek, Dec. 2, 1797.

Fifty Dollars Reward.

RAN away from the subscriber, living near Stafford court-house, in the commonwealth of Virginia, about the middle of May last, a negro fellow named JACK, about five feet eight or nine inches high, nineteen years old, thick made and well set, stoops in the shoulders, and his complexion black, has a remarkable scar on the top of one of his feet, but I forget whether right or left; he carried with him the following cloaths, a greenish coloured great coat of elastic cloth, with buff cuffs and cape, a white casimer vest and breeches, a brown cloth vest, and a calico vest, but these he may change for other cloaths; this negro lately belonged to the estate of Mr. THOMAS STONE, in Charles county, Maryland, and may pass himself for one of the Thomas family of negroes belonging to the said estate, who make pretension to their freedom, but the fallacy of the attempt may be easily detected, as he is quite black, whereas the Thomas family are all of the *mulatto colour*; he can also read a little. I suspect he is lurking about Baltimore or Annapolis; his mother is in the former city, who is also a runaway, and named RACHEL. I will give the above reward of fifty dollars to any person who will deliver him to me at my place of residence, or FORTY DOLLARS for securing him in any gaol, so that I get him again.

TRAVERS DANIEL, jun.

Stafford county, Virginia, October 28, 1797.

Sixteen Dollars Reward.

RAN away from the subscriber, living in Prince-George's county, two mulatto fellows called CHARLES and PATRICK MAHONEY; they have been away about three weeks; they pretend that they are set free by the verdict of a jury in the last general court, but were ordered by the court to return home till a point of law should be settled relating to their case; this they refuse to do. As they are well known in and about Annapolis and the forest of Prince George's, where I suspect they must be, I do hereby forewarn all persons from harbouring or employing them, and will give any person EIGHT DOLLARS reward for securing either of them in gaol. 3 w

January 8, 1798. JOHN ASHTON.

In CHANCERY, December 30, 1797.

ORDERED, That the sale made by WILLIAM POSTON, trustee, on the 19th instant, as stated in his report of the real estate of WILLIAM POSTON, deceased, shall be ratified and confirmed, unless cause to the contrary be shewn on or before the first Tuesday in March next, provided a copy of this order be inserted in the Maryland Gazette before the end of January next.

The said report states 295 as. 3 rds. 15 ps. sold for £. 460, 86 as. 2 rds. 9 ps. sold for £. 525, and 79 as. 2 rds. 22 ps. for £. 326 1 1.

Test. SAMUEL HARVEY HOWARD, Reg. Cur. Can.

THERE is at the subscriber's plantation, near Annapolis, taken up as a stray, a large red and white COW, marked with a crop and an under cut in the right ear. The owner may have her again on proving property and paying charges.

December 18, 1797.

MARY WATSON.

By his EXCELLENCY

JOHN HENRY,

GOVERNOR of MARYLAND,

A PROCLAMATION.

WHEREAS it has been represented to me that a barn and stables, the property of Robert Laidler, of Charles county, were, on the night of the first instant, consumed by fire, and that some malicious persons are supposed to have wilfully set fire to the same; and whereas it is of the greatest importance to society that the perpetrator or perpetrators of such a crime should be discovered and brought to justice: I have, therefore, thought proper, by and in pursuance of the powers invested in me, to promise full and free pardon to any person being an accomplice in the commission of the said crime, who shall discover the perpetrator or perpetrators thereof, so that he, she, or they, or any of them, be convicted thereof.

Given under my hand, and the seal of the State of Maryland, at the city of Annapolis, this thirteenth day of December, in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and ninety-seven.

JOHN HENRY.

By the Governor,
NINIAN PINKNEY, Secretary.

Six Dollars Reward.

RAN away from the subscriber, about five miles above Montgomery county court-house, in the state of Maryland, on the 16th day of December, a negro girl named JENNEY, about 17 or 18 years old, about 5 feet 4 or 5 inches high, of a yellow complexion, with a scar on the back of her neck about an inch long, she combs her hair and ties it in several places on her head, tolerable likely; she had on when she went away, one tow linen shift, one old green petticoat and jacket of kersey, one country tow linen petticoat, one country striped linsey jacket, one pair of coarse white yarn stockings, one of the stockings feet about one half of gray yarn, one felt hat about half worn, and one pair of coarse shoes; no doubt but she will change her name and cloaths, and endeavour to pass as free, as she ran away last June and got into Calvert county, where she formerly lived with Mr. James Stone, of Lower Marlborough. From the best information I can get she went towards Snowden's iron-works. I will give the above reward to any person who will take her up, and secure her in any gaol so that I get her again, and reasonable charges if brought home, paid by

w 3 JOHN RAWLINGS.

N. B. All masters of vessels and others are forbid carrying off or harbouring said negro at their peril.

December 29, 1797. J. R.

WENT away on the 9th inst. from the subscriber, living in the city of Annapolis, a negro man named JEM, a lively, brisk, active fellow when he pleases, 28 years of age, about 5 feet 8 inches high, slender made, rather a thin face, has a great hesitation in his speech, and when he laughs shews his gums very much, takes snuff, one of his legs is sore; he is very artful and can turn his hand to any thing; he has been used to waiting, to taking care of horses, and driving a carriage, is something of a gardiner, carpenter and bricklayer; is or pretends to be of the society of Methodists, he constantly attended the meetings, and at times exhorted himself; he took with him a watch of his own, a fine hat, new drab coloured surtout coat, lined about the body with green, light cloth waistcoat, buckskin breeches; a black coat lapelled is missing from the house; it is probable he may change his dress; he had some time in the summer from me a pass for a limitted time (three or four days) to go to Baltimore, it is not improbable but he may get the date altered and make use of it. Whoever takes him up and delivers him to me, or secures him in any gaol so that I get him again, shall receive TWENTY DOLLARS REWARD.

4 w JAMES BRICE.

December 16, 1797.

St. John's College,

December 11, 1797.

WHEREAS it appears to the trustees of the said college that there are considerable arrearages on the books of the college, great part of which hath been long due from students who have quitted the same, this is therefore to inform the parent or guardian of such student from whom any arrears is due, that they are earnestly requested to make payment of their tuition accounts without delay, and unless the said request is complied with before the 10th day of February, the board will consider themselves under the disagreeable necessity of enforcing such payment.

By order of the board,
RICHARD OWEN, Collector.

JAMES MATTISON,

HATTER,

In the house formerly occupied by ROBERT COUDEN, Esq;

RESPECTFULLY informs the public in general, and his customers in particular, that he has just received and will be constantly supplied with the best Canada beaver, raccoon and fox, and other materials of the best quality; he will be able to supply those who may honour him with their commands, with hats of a superior quality, on the shortest notice, and most reasonable terms.

An active LAD, about 15 years of age, would be taken as an apprentice.

Annapolis, October 19, 1797.

PROPOSALS
FOR PRINTING
A DIGEST
OF THE
LAWS OF MARYLAND,
FROM THE YEAR 1785, TO THE PERIOD OF PUBLICATION:

Containing all the Laws from that to the present time, inclusive.

THE object which this intention contemplates, is to publish every Law, now in force, in periodical order, with marginal references and notes, to obviate obscurities created, the consequence of progressive subdivisions, which necessarily resulted, to answer the annual purposes of legislative convenience. The Laws within this space of time, include all our STATUTES, since HANSON'S COLLECTION, and many of them, of the first importance to the people.

The complaints which have been frequently made by the student, in toiling through the dreary course of many perplexing sessions, unavoidably clouded by enumerated additions, amendments and repeals, often produce to his inquiries both doubt and uncertainty. The MERCHANT and FARMER have also frequently evidenced a solicitude, that these Laws were comprised in a clearer view, to abate the difficulties that occur in perusal. Hence it becomes the duty of the citizen, during intervals of leisure from necessary avocations, to digest a plan to remedy the evil.

The multiplicity of Laws is one of the grievances attendant on free governments, for when a Law, which is the "rule of our civil conduct," is enacted at the will of a despot, or aristocratic body, it generally remains fixed, and without frequent alteration or addition. On the contrary, when a REPRESENTATIVE, or FREE GOVERNMENT, LIKE OUR OWN, act in a legislative capacity, from the very freedom and spirit of the organization, our codes are naturally swelled to a more bulky size; sometimes from the frequency of change in our representation, and sometimes from kindred causes. Though this is one of the consequent defects (for human perfection is unattainable) of free governments, yet when we consider the unparallelled privileges and blessings we enjoy, under our Constitutions and Laws, unknown to any nation in the civilized world, we should not be unmindful of our duty, unanimously to co-operate in the most earnest and zealous benedictions to Heaven, for such signal marks of divine favour.

This plan, more copiously displayed, will be presented to the next session of Assembly, for their approbation; because the author is of opinion, that it is not right to interfere with any acts of the constituted authorities, without their previous acquiescence. The glaring injuries that have grown out of such evil practices, have already been too manifest to require animadversion, and too severely felt by us a people, not to discourage repetition. The whole, it is trusted, will be found useful to the magistrate, the merchant, the farmer, and the mechanic. If it should prove so in event, the labours of the compiler will be abundantly rewarded.

CONDITIONS.

I. That this work will be printed and bound in one volume, and put to press as soon as the subscription is sufficiently enlarged to defray the expences of printing.

II. That the whole will be printed on good paper and good type.

III. That each subscriber, at the time of subscribing, shall pay *Five Dollars* in advance, for every copy subscribed for, (to enable the printer to go speedily through with the work) and the balance on delivery of the book.

IV. That the price will be as moderate as books of the same kind, containing the same quantity of matter, are sold for: it cannot be ascertained at present, with accuracy, what the expence of printing will be, and therefore no fixed price can yet be promulged.

V. That if any invisible accident should counteract this plan, so as to produce miscarriage, or to prevent it from being carried into execution; in such case, or cases, the money advanced, shall be returned to the respective persons subscribing.

☞ Subscriptions received by Messrs. James Rice, & Co. and George Hill, booksellers in Baltimore, and by Frederick Green, Annapolis.

CHARLES FARIS,
Clock and Watch-Maker,

RESPECTFULLY informs his friends, and the public in general, that he has received a few SPRING CLOCKS, and an assortment of gold, gilt, and silver warranted WATCHES, gold, gilt, and steel CHAINS, and a variety of JEWELLERY, and other articles in his line, which he will sell low for CASH.

N. B. The highest price given for old silver.

Annapolis, November 8, 1797.

ALL persons indebted to the estate of JOHN ALLEN THOMAS, late of St. Mary's county, deceased, are desired to make immediate payment, and those having claims against said estate are requested to bring them in legally authenticated, to Mr. John Welch, at Leonard-town, or to the subscriber, at Annapolis. JAMES THOMAS, Executor.

April 6, 1797.

MOSES MACCUBBIN,
Ladies and Gentlemens Hair-Dresser,

Church-street, opposite to Mr. Wheeler's Tavern,

HAS JUST RECEIVED

A COMPLETE ASSORTMENT of

The following Articles,

viz.

Elegant Powder-Horns,

And

Tortoise shell Combs.

HAIR-POWDER,

Marshalle, Philadelphia, Baltimore and Common.

POMATUMS, SOFT and HARD.

Rose, Franchispane, Marshalle, Lemon, Bergamot, Lavender, Thyme and Orange.

An infallible pomatum that will nourish the hair, make it grow thick and long, and preserve it to extreme old age.

SOAPS,

Patent Windsor, Violet, Jessamine, chymical, patent cakes, Liquid for shaving, and common.

Royal chymical patent soap, for rendering the arms and hands delicately white and soft, it prevents them from chopping or tanning, is one of the greatest preservers of natural bloom and beauty, and is far superior to any kind of soap now in use.

Wash Balls of the first quality.

ESSENCES,

Sweet-briar, Sanspareille, Tuberose, Millifleur, Bergamot, Lavender and Lemon.

WATERS,

Double distilled Lavender, Hungary, Sanspareille, and Tuberose.

FOR THE TEETH,

Tooth-brushes, tooth-powder, tooth-picks, with elegant cases of different kinds.

FOR THE HAIR.

Pinching, craping and curling irons, powder knives, hair scissars, with handsome cases, hair riband, powder-bags, swandown, silk and thread puffs, powder-boxes, tortoise-shell, ivory, and horn combs, of all kinds, and a large quantity of the best RUSSIA BEAR'S GREASE, that will thicken the hair, and hasten the growth thereby, nourish it at the roots, and prevent it from turning grey.

Milk of Roses of the best quality.

—LIKEWISE,—

The first quality razors; elastic and Jesse's strops, warranted; lip-salve; smelling-bottles, with silver tops, and a variety of other kinds; ivory and common shaving brushes; the genuine court plaster, and a variety of dressing-cases, with utensils complete; red morocco shaving cases, containing the whole apparatus for shaving or dressing; false-tails and braids; patent shoe blacking; elegant yard measures, with a smelling-bottle at the end of them; a large quantity of small phials, containing different kinds of perfumes; shaving boxes complete; shoe strings; elastic neck-bolsters; lockets and breast pins of different kinds, and Starch of the best quality.

M. MACCUBBIN,

Actuated by a due regard to the sacred principles of gratitude, tenders his most grateful thanks for that liberal patronage which a generous and indulgent public have afforded him, and he flatters himself that while his mind is animated by a lively sense of preceding favours, his future conduct will entitle him to the claim of universal approbation.

A Bargain Offered.

I will SELL, on moderate terms,

THAT valuable FARM on Kent Island, lately occupied by Dr. JONATHAN ROBERTS. It is situated immediately opposite to the city of Annapolis, is healthy and commands a very extensive view of the Chesapeake. It contains about three hundred acres of land, and is in very high cultivation. The soil is well adapted to the production of wheat, corn and tobacco. The improvements consist of a good frame dwelling house, a large commodious brick quarter, two valuable tobacco houses, a very convenient cow house, two stables, a granary, carriage house, and every other necessary building that the accommodation of a family could possibly require. There is a very choice collection of every kind of fruit. The apple orchards have not yet reached maturity and now yield about thirty hogsheads of cider, and several hundred bushels of excellent winter apples. The former proprietor of this place being a man of considerable industry and taste has taken uncommon pains to procure not only valuable fruit, but every other tree that are calculated to beautify and adorn a farm. There are several acres covered with locust and black walnut trees, planted by him, and now in perfection. The houses are all in excellent repair, and the fences in good order. There is seeded for the benefit of the purchaser between seventy and eighty bushels of wheat. A small part of the purchase money must be paid on the delivery of the place, which will be on the first day of January next, and an extensive credit will be given for the residue. Bonds, with approved security, will be expected from the purchaser, and an indisputable title will be given him by

tf JONATHAN R. WILMER.

November 7, 1797.

To be SOLD, at PUBLIC SALE, on the first Monday in March next, on the premises, if fair, if not the first fair day ensuing,

THAT valuable and well known plantation whereon JOSEPH GALLOWAY now dwells, situated on West river, in Anne-Arundel county, containing about 980 acres of very valuable land, the situation high and healthy, commanding an extensive and beautiful view of the Chesapeake Bay, West river and Herring Bay, in a fine sporting country, and convenient to fine oysters, fish, and wild fowl in the proper seasons, great part of the land is of the first quality, and lays level, with abundance of meadow ground, and a sufficiency of wood land with care and attention to supply the uses of a farm. The title secure, and conveyance will be executed to the purchaser on payment of the purchase money, and it will be sold on a credit of one, two, and three years; and at the same time and place will be sold 43 valuable slaves, consisting of men, women, and children, 50 head of cattle, and 11 horses and mules. Purchasers to any amount not exceeding £. 20 to pay cash, above that sum to give bond, with approved security, payable in 12 months. All persons having claims against Joseph Galloway are requested to produce them to the subscribers, on or before the day of sale, properly authenticated.

JOHN GALLOWAY, } Trustees for sale
DAVID LYNN, } of said estate.

January 10, 1798.

To be SOLD, at PUBLIC VENDUE, at my dwelling plantation, about two miles from Mrs. Rawlings's tavern, and the same distance from Mount Pleasant ferry, on Thursday the 15th of February, if fair, or on the first fair day after, on twelve months credit, the purchasers entering into bond, with approved security, before delivery,

A PARCEL of likely country born young NEGROES, consisting of men, women, boys and girls, among them a very valuable rough carpenter, and good miller, also some valuable house women, who understand all manner of house work, with plantation utensils, stock of horses, cattle, some good work oxen, and sheep, with some household and kitchen furniture. Further particulars will be made known on the day of sale.

THOMAS LANE.

P. S. I will sell my plantation whereon I now live, containing about 400 acres, on it are at least 6000 fruit trees, which will yield ten thousand gallons of choice cider annually.

Mount Airy, January 8, 1798.

COMMITTED to my custody on the 28th day of this present month, a negro man who says his name is JOHN, that he was sold about five years ago from the estate of captain RICHEA, near Hobb's Hole, in Virginia, to PHILIP PAYNEY who lived in Campbell county, in the state of Kentucky, where he continued four years, and ran away in March last; he is a likely black fellow, about five feet six or seven inches high, about twenty years old; had on a striped cloth coat, with large metal buttons, old cotton velvet breeches, his other cloaths very forry, his feet appear remarkable small for his size. His master is desired to take him away in two months from this date, or he will be sold for his prison fees and other expences agreeably to law.

ZACH. FORREST, Sheriff of St. Mary's county.

December 30, 1797.

Patowmack Company.

THE STOCKHOLDERS of the PATOWMACK COMPANY are requested to meet at the Union Tavern in George-town, on the second Thursday in February next—Business of the first importance will be laid before the meeting—it is therefore hoped the Stockholders will generally attend, or send their proxies.

TOBIAS LEAR, President.
JOHN MASON,
JOHN TEMPLEMAN,
JAMES KEITH,
JOSIAH CLAPHAM, } Directors.

Alexandria, January 5, 1798.

One Hundred Dollars Reward.

ON the first day of December some wicked person or persons set fire to my corn house and stables, in the dead of night, whereby they were totally consumed, with a quantity of wheat, flax, plank, and scantling, and a fine brood mare with foal, and a saddle horse perished in the flames. Whoever will discover the perpetrator or perpetrators of so abominable an act, in such manner as may bring him or them to condign punishment, shall receive the above reward, from

4w ROBERT LAIDLEY.

Laidley's Ferry, December 23, 1797.

CASH given for Clean Linen and Cotton RAGS,
At the Printing-Office.

ANNAPOLIS:
Printed by FREDERICK and SAMUEL GREEN.